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In re application of

Mats MALMQUIST

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HOMOGENISING OF SMALL-VOLUME
MIXTURES BY CENTRIFUGATION
AND HEATING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-16.

Add the following new claims:

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17. (new) A thermocycling device comprising a rotor (1) for holding reaction vessels (2), a motor (3), connected to said rotor, means such as a processor (4) for controlling the speed of the rotor, means (5 and 6) for heating and cooling the contents of the reaction vessels, and means for measuring the temperature (7, 12), **characterized** in that the means (7, 12) for measuring the temperature read the temperature from the sample containing end of one